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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: Application of Leslie PAINE
FASTENING SYSTEM
Our Ref. CQ10109

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 9 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	<u>8</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$9.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$43.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee							<u>\$385.00</u>
TOTAL FEE							<u>\$385.00</u>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$385.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Great Britain	0224555.3	10/22/2002

The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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In re application of

Docket No: CQ10109

Leslie PAINE

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For: FASTENING SYSTEM

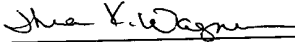
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Enclosures

1. Application Data Sheet
2. Application Transmittal Letter (original and 1 copy) and Check No. 233255 in the amount of \$385.00
3. Application, including the specification (pages 1-6), claims (Claim Nos. 1-8, pages 7-8), and the Abstract (1 page, page 9)
4. Drawings (3 sheets)